

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit 1617

HOROWITZ ET AL.

Examiner: Javanmard, Sahar

APPLICATION NO: 10/527,883

FILED: MARCH 15, 2005

FOR: METHOD FOR PREVENTING OR REDUCING SECONDARY
FRACTURES AFTER HIP FACTURE

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

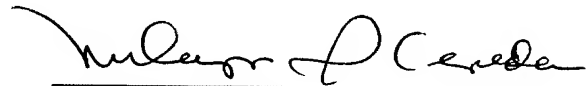
The Office Action of October 16, 2007 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on January 16, 2008. A three-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$1050 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

Respectfully submitted,

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